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SUBJECT: GENOCIDE REPORT OF SUB-COMMISSION ON MINORITIES

1. TURKISH CHARGE YEGEN CALLED ON DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST US SUPPORT OF TURKISH POSITION THAT UPCOMING MEETING OF SUB-COMMISSION AT WHICH GENOCIDE REPORT IS TO BE CONSIDERED, LIMIT ITS DISCUSSION TO ANALYSIS OF PROBLEM AFTER 1948 AND NOT INCLUDE HISTORICAL SURVEY. LATTER SURVEY INCLUDES PARAGRAPH (NUMBER 30) LABELING 1915 ARMENIAN MASSACRES BY TURKEY AS FLAGRANT EXAMPLE OF GENOCIDE. THIS REFERENCE UNDERSTANDABLY OFFENSIVE TO TURKS. YEGEN STATED THAT REFERENCES WERE NOT "ACCURATE" AND ANY DISCUSSION WOULD BE BOTH ACRIMONIOUS AND UNPRODUCTIVE.

2. DEPT. OFFICER WAS NONCOMMITTAL IN HIS RESPONSE. DEPT REQUESTS MISSION BRING TO ATTENTION OF AMB. CARTER TURKISH VIEWS AS EXPRESSED BY CHARGE YEGEN. INFORM CARTER DEPT SHARES HOPE THAT SUBJECT CAN BE PREVENTED FROM BECOMING CONTENTIOUS ISSUE AT SUBCOMMISSION SESSION. MAW

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